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Tsugio Yokoo, et al.)
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AMENDMENTS AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 14, 2009, having a two-month shortened period of response set to expire on December 14, 2009, Applicants respectfully submit the following:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2; and
Remarks begin on page 4.